

S. D. Public Radio Association Has High Hopes for Bright Future

The public radio stations of South Dakota, including Augustana's KAUR, have come together into an association which will hopefully provide a bright future for educational and informative listening in the state.

The new Association of South Dakota Public Radio Stations recently completed a conference at which officers were elected and a constitution was ratified, according to Jay Werth, who helped represent Augie at the meeting.

"We talked about programming, the possibilities for a state-wide news network, and basically just got acquainted

with other stations," Werth said. "This new organization is already looking as if it can provide many fresh ideas and programs for public radio in South Dakota," he added.

Werth, the former director of Augie's KAUR FM Stereo, was made at the conference the first honorary member of the Association, for "making outstanding contributions to South Dakota Public Radio."

According to Werth, the conference began by all in attendance listening via telephone connection to Lee Stots, the director of educational television and FM programming in Utah. Stots talked about public radio

organization in Utah, and on his suggestions for the organization of public radio stations.

But Werth stressed that it seems that South Dakota is already farther along in public radio organization than Utah. "We have several programs on the air now which are shared by up to four stations," he revealed.

Augustana's KAUR is included in this group of four stations which are now active on a very limited network basis.

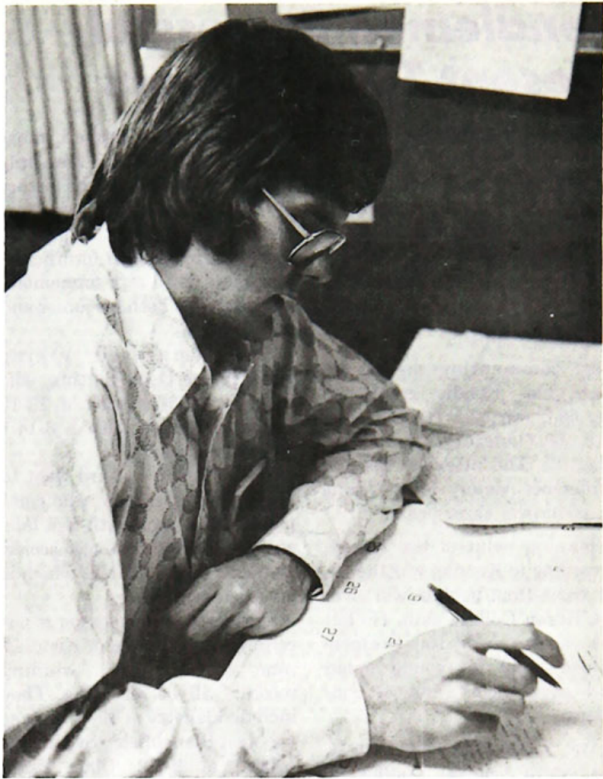
"The Association will continue to work on development and expansion of state-wide public radio," Werth concluded, "and one of the most exciting things we now have planned is a fall workshop on news writing and reporting."

John MacLaren of KASD radio at Northern State College was elected president of the Association, and David Sloan of KUSD radio in Vermillion was elected vice president.

Debaters Out-blow Tornado; Acquire Fifth Place Honors

The Augustana debate team of Dave Lillehaug and Craig Anderson returned this week from the Allman National

Lillehaug and Anderson beat St. Joseph's of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania in the octafinal round and concluded their



Jay Werth